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20 August 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Action Regarding Possible Cancellation of Project USEFUL

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1. Based on instructions from the DTR given in his staff meeting 20 August, I contacted Mr. [REDACTED] War Plans Staff/DDP and Mr. [REDACTED] ADDS, concerning the possible cancellation of Project USEFUL #12, which was tentatively scheduled to take place 18 - 29 October 1965.

a. I called Mr. [REDACTED] and told him that the DDP had questioned the advisability of presenting Project USEFUL #12 and that the DDS was inquiring of the DDI and DDS&T about their feelings in the matter. I told Mr. [REDACTED] that this was of direct concern to his staff since the requirement for the course originated with him. I reminded Mr. [REDACTED] that he had already written a dispatch to the overseas stations advising them of the course and to work with their military counterparts for nominations of students. Mr. [REDACTED] stated he was unaware of the DDP's decision and would take it up immediately with his "front office".

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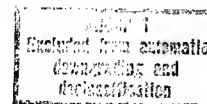
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b. I called [REDACTED] and told him the DTR wanted me to make him aware of the fact that the JCS requested the letters of invitation sixty days prior to the start of the course so that they can crank up their administrative machinery.

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Mr. [REDACTED] said he had written a memo to the DDI and DDS&T, a copy of which has been sent to OTR. It was his opinion that DDS&T and DDI would probably indicate their desire to participate in the course; however, in spite of the War Plans Staff interest in the course, some of the staffs and area divisions in the DDP were reluctant to participate. It was Mr. [REDACTED] opinion that the course may be put on as scheduled, however the DDP participation would have to be modified. In view of the time element, which I told Mr. [REDACTED] about, he asked me to call him again on Monday, by which time he would follow up the memo which he had written.

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